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## REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT & ALTERNATIVE PETITION UNDER 37 CFR §1.181 AND §1.144 FROM REQUIREMENT OF RESTRICTION

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated July 11, 2006, the following remarks, and in the alternative a Petition, are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper; and in the alternative

A Petition From Requirement of Restriction begins on page 5 of this paper.